

## ANTHRACITE COAL STRIKE HELD UP IN AN EFFORT TO REACH WAGE AGREEMENT

### JOINT COMMITTEE OF EIGHT TO HOLD LONG CONFERENCE

Miners and Operators Hopeful of Finding Settlement Before April 1.

TO GET TO BOTTOM OF COSTS AND PROFITS

Owners Emphatic in Wish to Go Into Every Angle of the Industry.

SAY HIGHER WAGES IMPOSSIBLE

Refusal to Meet Workmen Will Force Bloodless Strike at End of Month.

[By Associated Press.]

NEW YORK, March 17.—The anthracite coal mine owners and workers' committee of eight tonight began to organize for a long series of deliberations in an effort to avert a general strike by amicable settlement of their wage disagreements.

Members of the subcommittee are: For the miners—William J. Brennan, of Scranton, Pa.; Thomas Kennedy, of Hazleton, Pa.; C. J. Golden, of Shamokin, Pa.; and either John L. Lewis, international president of the United Mine Workers, or Philip Murray, international vice-president.

For the operators—S. D. Warriner, of Philadelphia, W. W. Inglis, of Scranton, W. J. Richards, of Pottsville, Pa., and W. L. Connel, of Scranton.

President John L. Lewis, of the international organization of United Mine Workers, and Samuel D. Warriner, chairman of the operators' policies committee, both members of the committee of eight, were optimistic. They expressed doubt, however, that a new wage scale could be drawn in time to prevent suspension of mining operations in the hard-coal fields on April 1.

The whole mining industry, from the digging out of the coal in the collieries to the shipment, distribution and sale to the consumers, will be taken into consideration in the negotiations.

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PLANE COLLAPSES:

PLUNGES 2 INTO BAY

Army Aviators Are in Marine Hospital After Being Picked Up by Lifer.

[By United News.]

MINNOLA, L. I., March 17.—Two army aviators are in the United States Marine Hospital at Stapleton, following a narrow escape from death when their plane collapsed and plunged into New York Bay.

The injured men are Lieutenant Francis Valentine and Private David H. Stevens. Their plane was one of five sent from Mitchell Field to extend exercises to General William Mitchell, assistant chief of the United States air service, who was sailing up the bay on board the Aquitania.

The plane collapsed in the middle of a graceful dip, but its two occupants managed to cling to the top wings until the Clyde liner Huron picked them up.

Lieutenant Valentine was placed on the operating table where it took an hour for surgeons to sew up a cut over his right eye and other facial injuries.

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McADOO IS COUNSEL

FOR BANK OF ITALY

[By Associated Press.]

SAN FRANCISCO, March 17.—Appointment of William G. McAdoo as general counsel for the Bank of Italy, one of the largest banking institutions in the State, was announced tonight. Mr. McAdoo had been of counsel for the bank while he was practicing in New York, the announcement said, and his removal to California gave opportunity for the more important appointment.

Westfield Likely to Accept Post.

[By United News.]

BERLIN, March 17.—Arthur Westfield, managing director of Krupp's, has resigned. His action is taken to indicate that he has decided to accept the next ambassadorship to Washington, which only a very rich man—such as he is—could afford to assume.

Orders 1,000 Refrigerator Cars.

SPOKANE, WASH., March 17.—Orders for 1,000 new refrigerator cars are being placed by the Northern Pacific Railroad this week for the better handling of the Washington fruit crop. It was announced today.

"Cake Eaters" The Flapper's Mate As He Is in Richmond.

By E. Blackwell. A special feature in the Magazine Section of the Saturday Evening Dispatch.

Minister Passes Away in His Seventieth Year



REV. CORBIN BRAXTON BRYAN, D. D.

### DR. C. B. BRYAN IS CLAIMED BY DEATH

Head of Bishop Payne Divinity School Succumbs to Brief Illness.

WAS 70 YEARS OF AGE

Born in Gloucester County.

Recently Resigned Petersburg Rectorate.

[By Associated Press.]

Rev. Corbin Braxton Bryan, D. D., head of the Bishop Payne Divinity School, and up to recently, rector of Grace Episcopal Church, Petersburg, died yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in the home of Dr. St. George T. Grinnam, his nephew, 925 West Grace Street.

Dr. Bryan was born at Eagle Point, Gloucester County, Va., April 17, 1852, the son of John Randolph Bryan and Elizabeth Tucker Coates. Dr. Bryan attended school at Norwood, Nelson County, during the war and for several years thereafter, and later entered the University of Virginia, and then the Theological Seminary at Alexandria, from which he graduated in 1878 in a class of notable Episcopal clergymen. He served first at Kempville, Va., later going to Christ Church, Millwood, going from that place to Danville, thence to Hampton and finally to Grace Church, Petersburg, where he served as rector for seventeen years.

Historiographer for Diocese.

Dr. Bryan was historiographer of the Diocese of Southern Virginia, was dean of the Central Convocation of Virginia, and his personality was stamped in services and labors for the church which he so faithfully served for about fifty years.

He had served as delegate to the General Convention of the Episcopal Church since 1907, and was a prominent figure in that high organization.

His sense of humor, his sparkling personality, his charming manner, his sense of humor and his great love for his neighbor made him a welcome guest, whether to the general convention or to the home of the humblest cottager.

The degree of doctor of divinity was conferred upon Dr. Bryan by Hampton-Sidney College. He was a

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MILITARY OCCUPATION OF FIUME IS ORDERED

[By Associated Press.]

Italian Government Will Use the Army Corps at Trieste.

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### MINORITY REPORT FOR CASH BONUS SOUGHT BY KITCHIN

Democratic House Leader Returns to Capitol After Illness.

PROPOSAL FAILS OF UNITED SUPPORT

Speaker Gillett, Back From Florida, Open to Argument on Procedure.

FEAR ATTACKS OPPONENTS

Scores Mellon, Crippling, and Antagonists of Present Soldier Compensation Plan.

[By Associated Press.]

WASHINGTON, March 17.—Development today in the soldiers' bonus situation included:

The return to Washington of Speaker Gillett, with the announcement that he was "open to argument" as to permitting the bonus bill to be called up in the House next Monday under a suspension of the rules.

An unexpected visit to the Capitol by Representative Kitchin, of North Carolina, the Democratic House leader, who urged his party members on the Ways and Means Committee to submit a minority report opposing certain features of the bonus measure.

An attack on Secretary Mellon, Controller of the Currency, Crippling, Wall Street and others, delivered in the House by Representative Fear, Republican, Wisconsin.

Will Submit Minority Report.

An announcement by Representative Treadway, of Massachusetts, that he and Representative Tilson, of Connecticut, both Republican members of the Ways and Means Committee, would submit joint minority views on the bonus bill.

A disclaimer by Secretary Mellon, in a letter to Representative Fear, that he had attempted in any of his letters regarding the bonus legislation to "argue the merits of the soldiers' bonus."

Returning this evening from a trip to Florida with President Harding, Speaker Gillett told newspaper correspondents that he had brought no message on the bonus for House leaders from the President. He said he still was of the opinion expressed before he departed from Florida, that the bonus measure should not be taken up under a suspension of the rules, but added that he would not make a final decision until after he had conferred with his friends.

To Hold Party Conference.

Chairman Fordney, of the Ways and Means Committee, and other Republican House leaders, expected to confer with the Speaker at the Capitol early tomorrow. If Mr. Gillett refuses to entertain a motion on Monday to suspend the rules—and there appeared to be growing belief at the Capitol today that he would—there was a possibility that the House Republicans would hold a party conference tomorrow night to discuss procedure in handling the bill under a special rule.

The conference by Representative Kitchin with the Democratic members of the Ways and Means Committee developed a difference of opinion among those members as to whether there should be a minority report. Representative Garner, of Ohio, declared after the conference that he would not sign such a report. Representative Cullen, of Arkansas, declared that a minority report would be filed.

For Original Cash Bonus.

As now contemplated by Mr. Kitchin and others favorable to the plan, the report would declare against the bank loan provision of the adjusted service certificate and in favor of the original cash bonus provision. The vocational training and home and land aid titles did not meet with objection in the conference called by Mr. Kitchin.

The Democratic leader, who has been absent from Congress for nearly a year on account of ill health, did not appear on the floor. He went direct to his office, where prominent Democrats were invited to meet him. He remained at the Capitol for an hour or more, but aside from those who conferred with him, few members of the House knew that he was in Washington.

Fear Makes Strong Assault.

Representative Fear's assault on critics of the bonus bill was delivered just before the House adjourned. Besides Secretary Mellon and Comptroller Crippling, he attacked newspapers of New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Washington and other cities and financiers of New York City generally. He charged that the rich

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### PHYSICIANS PLAN \$500,000 OFFICE BUILDING OF OWN

Seven-Story Structure for Grace. Between Second and Fifth, Projected.

FOLLOW LEAD SET BY LAWYERS OF RICHMOND

Lower Floor Will House Stores and Operating Rooms for Specialists.

BANKER BACKING MOVEMENT

Syndicate of Twenty-Five Doctors and Business Men Said to Be Interested in Proposal.

[By Associated Press.]

Following the lead set by the baristers of the city, physicians of Richmond have announced their intention of erecting a building exclusively for the use of the various branches of their profession, at a cost of approximately \$500,000. It was learned last night that plans for the building are so near completion that its construction practically is certain.

The building will be seven stories in height and will be located on Grace Street, between Second and Fifth Streets, the exact location not having been announced. Twenty-five doctors and a syndicate of business men are behind the proposal, and one of the men promoting the erection of the structure said yesterday that more than half of the funds for the building is in hand.

He of Modern Construction.

The building will be of the most modern construction, and will be so constructed that the lower floor will house stores. Special plans are being drawn up to provide special operating rooms for specialists and the best quarters obtainable for physicians of every kind.

A movement for the erection of such a building has been on foot for some time. It was learned yesterday. The movement gained favor of practically every physician presented, and soon a large sum of money was made for the project. One Richmond banker was said to have been so impressed with the proposition that he told the physicians backing the organization he would, if necessary, underwrite the proposition for a large sum.

Final action on the proposition was taken not long ago, when a dinner was given to all of the interested in the building.

The proposition was general approval, and announcement of the proposal was made yesterday. It is probable that the formation of a permanent organization to go ahead with the work and the selection of a board of directors for the company, issuing of stock and other details, will be undertaken in a few days.

NEGRO ACCUSES HIS BROTHER OF ATTACK

[By Associated Press.]

Confesses Prisoner Poured Gasoline Over Woman and Set Her Afire.

WRIGHTSVILLE, GA., March 17.—Jim Drisdorn, a negro, was placed in jail at Kite, Ga., late today as the person suspected of pouring gasoline over Mrs. Ida May Fortner, and then setting her afire last Tuesday, because she refused his demand for money.

Will Drisdorn, brother of Jim, arrested last night, confessed, according to the authorities, that it was Jim Drisdorn who attacked the woman and that Steve Snell, who had been mentioned as the assailant, was a myth.

The officers soon found Jim Drisdorn. They say that he has a fear scar on his face. Mrs. Fortner says she struck her assailant in the face with a butcher knife.

LLOYD GEORGE DENIES INTENDS TO RESIGN

[By Associated Press.]

Premier Will Remain in Wales Ten Days, Then Face Political Situation.

LONDON, March 17.—A statement apparently inspired, was issued tonight denying that Premier Lloyd George intends to resign a fortnight hence. It adds that he intends to stay in Wales another ten days or fortnight, and has definitely decided to go to Geneva. It states, further, that on his return to London he will seriously tackle the home political situation.

Indict Window Glass Company.

NEW YORK, March 17.—The American Window Glass Company of Pittsburgh, the Johnston Brokerage Company, a Pennsylvania corporation, more than 100 window glass manufacturers and heads of three labor unions in the industry, were indicted by the Federal grand jury today for violation of the Sherman antitrust law.

Smallpox Sweeping Costa Rica.

SAN SALVADOR, REPUBLIC OF SALVADOR, March 17.—A serious epidemic of smallpox is sweeping Costa Rica. A dispatch from San Jose says 25,000 persons have the disease.

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### FRIENDS OF TREATY DEBATE WHETHER PACT IS 'ALLIANCE'

Use of Terms Condemned and Defended by Supporters.

FOES KEEP UP FIRE WHILE FRIENDS FIGHT

France, Johnson and Watson, of Georgia, Train Guns on Document.

JUDGED BY OPERATION

Practical Effect, Rather Than Dictionary Definition, Real Question, Opponents Assert.

[By Associated Press.]

WASHINGTON, March 17.—Another sustained assault was thrown against the four-power Pacific treaty by the Senate's irreconcilables today, after the treaty's friends had argued among themselves for an hour as to whether the pact might properly be called an "alliance."

The fight against ratification was carried forward in turn by Senators France, Republican, Maryland; Johnson, Republican, California; and Watson, Democrat, Georgia, in a series of speeches, and occupied the Senate most of the afternoon, which drew no reply from the treaty's supporters. Senator Johnson compared the pact with the Anglo-Japanese alliance in an effort to show that both "contain a meaning broader than their words."

Both Sides Charge Propaganda.

In the course of the debate charges of "propaganda" both for and against the treaty were made by the opposing sides, but no one produced any direct evidence to support the assertions or asked for any investigation of the influence declared to be at work to control the action of the Senate.

The discussion over application of the term "alliance" took place largely between Senator Willis, Republican, Ohio, and Senator Spencer, Republican, Missouri, both supporters of the treaty. A speech recently made by Senator Spencer declaring the pact to be "an alliance for commerce" but not for use of force was assailed by Senator Willis, who insisted that no sort of "alliance" was contemplated, and that the speech of the Missouri Senator had embarrassed the treaty's friends. Mr. Spencer stood by his definition and his characterization of the Foreign Relations Committee's "no alliance" reservation as "a ridiculous absurdity."

Played by France, Johnson, Watson.

By Senators France, Johnson and Watson, it was declared that the dictionary definition covering the treaty was "little, and that the real nature of the four-power arrangement must be judged by its practical operation. Mr. Johnson asserted that so far as actual wording went the Anglo-Japanese alliance covered only unprovoked aggression in Eastern Asia and India, and that it really was "dangerous to the United States, as argued by supporters of the four-power treaty, the reason lay between the lines. Judged by the same process, he asserted, the four-power pact might easily lead to many dangers in actual practice."

MYSTERY IN DEATH OF ATTRACTIVE DIVORCEE

Ends Life by Taking Poison at a Party in Her Apartment.

[By United News.]

BOSTON, March 17.—Pauline V. Clarke, an attractive 23-year-old divorcee, widely known among the gay centers of Boston's night life, ended her life by taking poison at a party in her apartment, to which she had invited a number of her most intimate friends.

The police, claiming to be unaware of any motive the girl might have had, kept her death secret for thirty-six hours and are now guarding the names of her companions at the party, so that from several angles the case is unusually mysterious.

Several days ago Mrs. Clarke showed friends a bottle which she told them contained "enough poison to kill an army." It was learned in an investigation by Medical Examiner George B. Magrath.

The party, it is said, was at its height when Mrs. Clarke drank the poison. She was chatting gaily with her friends as she raised the glass to her lips. A moment later she collapsed and was dead before medical aid could arrive.

2 KILLED, SCORE HURT, IN RAILROAD WRECK

[By United News.]

BUTTE, MONT., March 17.—Two were killed and a score hurt in the crash of the Northern Pacific North Coast Limited with a local train twenty-five miles east of here Friday.

The dead are: John Caldwell, fireman of the local, and Carl Peterson, Minneapolis, who was beating his way on the first "blind."

Among the most seriously injured is Merle Thorpe, editor of "Nation's Business," Washington, D. C. He was injured internally.

Table of Hotel Dinner, 6 to 8:30 P. M. 11:25. Hotel Rucker—Adv.

## FULWILER, IN STAUNTON TO PROBE "LIQUOR SCANDAL," REFUSES TO DISCUSS CASE

### CONGRESS, ANGRY, IS READY TO FORCE RETURN OF TROOPS

Senate Will Back House Plan to Cut Rhine Army to 500.

ALLIED ACTION AS TO MAINTENANCE, CAUSE

Refusal to Allot America Sum Due for Military Support Resented.

CRITICISM IS GENERAL

Both Parties United in Determination to Halt Financial Support of German Service.

[By John Gleason.]

WASHINGTON, March 17.—Congress is prepared to demand that every American soldier be withdrawn from Germany as quickly as possible.

Angered by the refusal of the allied governments to allot a portion of German reparations funds to the army on the Rhine, leaders are determined to force withdrawal of the remaining troops through the curtailment of appropriations.

The movement, in connection with the announced determination of the administration to keep 2,000 men at Coblenz, promises interesting developments.

Cuts Force to 500 Men.

The army appropriation bill, now being debated in the House, provides that money can be spent to maintain not more than 500 men in Europe. This in itself is a departure from custom, for heretofore Congress has not attempted to dictate where troops may be placed. The cut, made primarily in the interests of economy, will gain support because of the allied action, leaders said.

Between 5,000 and 6,000 men now comprise the American forces on the Rhine. Immediately after the armistice a complete division was maintained there, but gradually has been reduced.

Determination of the Senate to back up the effort was evidenced in debate from the floor today, when Senator Borah, of Idaho, demanded that the soldiers be immediately withdrawn. Borah was supported by other Senators, notably Lodge, the Republican leader, and Underwood, leader of the minority. The agreement of Lodge and Underwood drew added interest because of the fact that they served as American delegates to the arms conference.

Helios on Hughes to Collect.

Borah said he had no doubt Secretary Hughes would work out a satisfactory method of collecting the \$241,000 which Germany owes for the upkeep of the army. But the troops are no longer needed there, he said.

"It seems to me that the attitude of the allies is entirely unwarranted, and justifies us in bringing home all of our soldiers," said Borah. "They were kept there at the request of the allies."

Underwood expressed similar views.

"I can see no reason why a single American soldier should remain on the Rhine," he said. "The American government is entitled to receive from Germany its proportionate share of the reparations fund."

Senator Lodge said the attempt to defer payment of America was a "technicality."

"The claim has nothing to do with reparations," he said. "It comes purely under the terms of the armistice. The effort to avoid it is a mere technicality. I deny the right of the supreme council or any other body to turn over a claim based on the armistice to any other body. The attempt to avoid it is a mere technicality."

Lodge interrupted a speech by Senator Norris, of Nebraska, to call his attention to the fact that troops now are being brought home.

"I hope they all come home," said Norris.

"So do I," Lodge rejoined.

FELIX DIAZ KILLED

[By Associated Press.]

NOGALES, ARIZ., March 17.—General Felix Diaz, nephew of Porfirio Diaz, former President of Mexico, was shot and killed today near Orizaba Station, in the State of Sonora, Mexico, midway between Hermosillo and Guaymas, according to advices received here tonight.

### Finds Rural Flapper as Active as City Sister

[By Associated Press.]

CHICAGO, March 17.—While she may not perfume the palms of her hands, or rouge her bare knees, the rural flapper is as hard to handle as her city midtown sister. Mrs. Stella Shepley, chairman of the probation extension committee, declared today before the Illinois probation officers.

"The wave of delinquency that has gone over the country the last few years, has I believe, reached its crisis," Mrs. Shepley said. "It has been worse in the country than in the cities. Intelligent handling of the problem will minimize it. We want gold medal young people more than we want gold medal cattle and pigs."

A juvenile protection officer for Cook county would aid in "keeping 'em down on the farm," she believed.

GOVERNOR TRINKLE ASKS PAGEANT AID

[By Associated Press.]

WASHINGTON, March 17.—Governor E. Lee Trinkle, of Virginia, reached Staunton today to make an investigation into the alleged "whisky ring" brought to light through testimony of Tom Tisdale, convicted moonshiner. Mr. Fulwiler refused to discuss his mission here except to state it was in connection with the Tisdale case. It is said he came here under direction of Commissioner Haynes.

Fulwiler would not state whether William A. Grubert, on the former's staff, and one of the men connected with the "whisky ring" by Tisdale, had offered his resignation, or whether Grubert had been asked to resign.

"I will make no statement for publication until I have reported to my chief," said Fulwiler here tonight.

"I have nothing to say, and don't want to be quoted at all," said William A. Grubert, a member of Mr. Fulwiler's staff.

Grubert, one of the men whom Tisdale said was a member of the "company" which furnished him his still and materials for